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Space and Work Committee enthusiastic in their meeting

by Adam Adler
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The Space and Work Committee is starting to become one of the most passionate groups on campus. The committee can look forward to a very interesting semester if their last meeting is to be any indication.

The most prominent issue of the meeting was a new member, Jack Sterk, whose new place was the subject of a heated debate. Among routine issues discussed, such as the biology department stockroom and heating in the women's gym, were the addition of a new computer lab in Business Journalism and the lack of progress of the non-smoking policy on campus.

The meeting started with a discussion of how the new member was selected. A former member, Lou Albert, had stepped down from the committee and Sterk, as academic senate president, appointed himself to fill the space left by Albert.

Pat Allen, AFT President, and Penelope Pollard, former AFT president, came to the meeting because of concerns faculty have about the appointment process. They felt that since the Space and Work Committee is a joint committee, the AFT should of been consulted on the addition of a new member.

Sterk felt that Title Five of the Academic Senate Constitution gave them the power to appoint their own members without consulting anyone else. Pollard pointed out that AFT contract allowed them to be included in the process .

The discussion got so heated between Sterk and Pollard that Pat Calder, Chair of the Space and Work Committee, told them if the discussion was going to be just between Jack and Penny that they should take it outside.

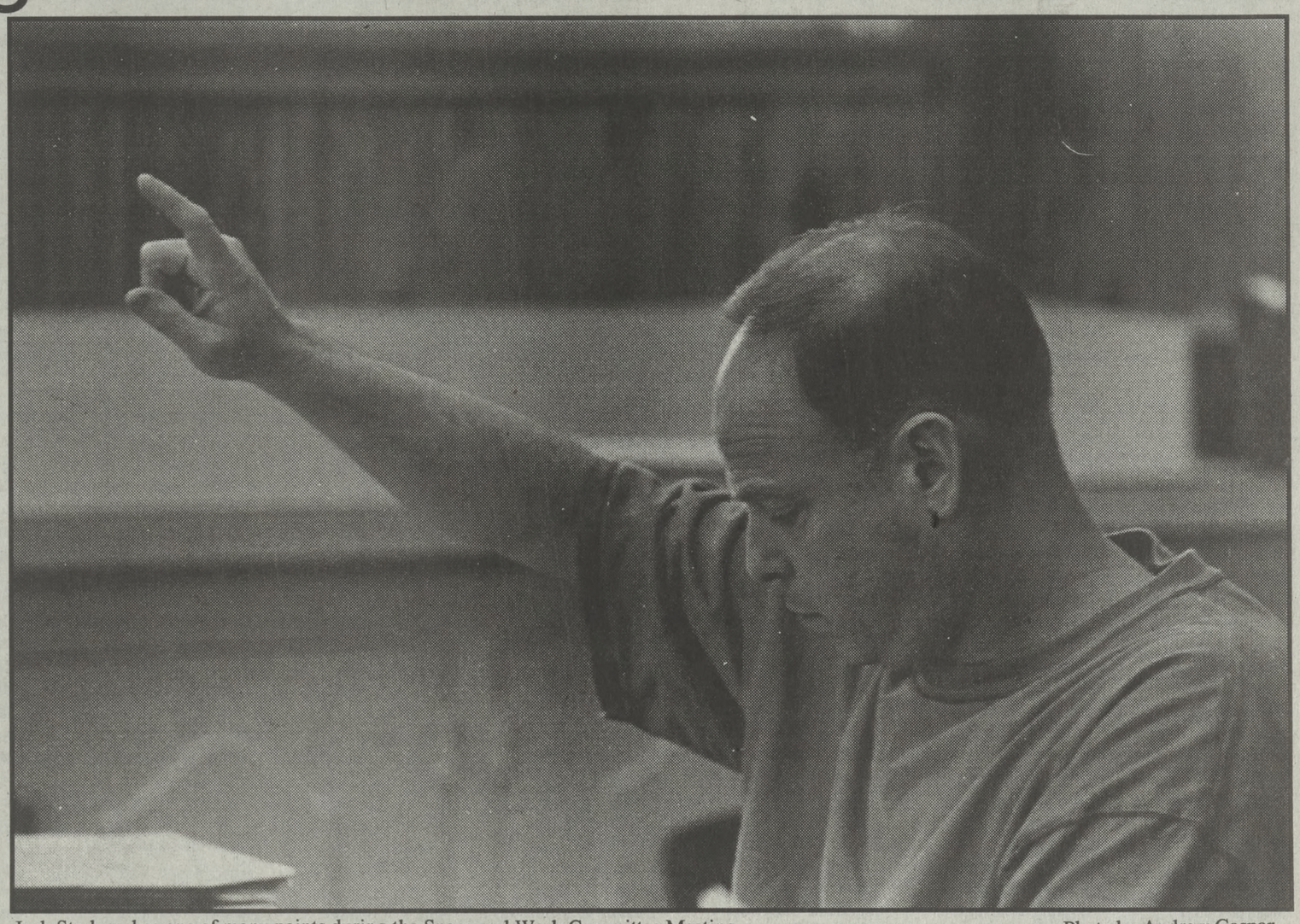
Strek latter his appointnment on the committee said would be temporary.

The Sub Committee on Complaints reported that the heating in the women's gym and the stockroom for the biology department is having problems. They made a referral to fix the heating in the women's gym which has not been working the past few months. Calder asked the sub committee to meet and see how the biology stockroom space can be reorganized.

There was a discussion on the difficulty of enforcing the non-smoking policy. Many students on campus seam unaware that there is such a policy on campus. Other students that do know about it seem not to care.

It was also brought up that some faculty members do not follow the policy. The committee considered having Campus Police write out tickets, which would be a good policy but very hard to manage. Other ideas were to publicize the policy more, put the signs at eye level where they are more visible and more peer pressureto enforce the policy.

Frank Sinsheimer, Dean of Academic Affairs, came to the meeting to propose a new multimedia computer lab in the Business/ Journalism building under the control of the CSIT department. Although a walkthrough was planned to look at the rooms the next day, Sinsheimer sent a letter to Calder asking to remove the plan from the agenda, apparently at the request of President Tyree Wieder. Afterwards he said, "The whole program has been sidetracked for six months to two years. Now we might not get another computer lab."



Jack Sterk makes one of many points during the Space and Work Committee Meeting . Photo by Andrew Gaspar



Job Fair a Success

Photo and Story by Maria Ivey
Valley Star Photographer

Students at Valley College were provided with the opportunity to meet prospective employers during the 1996 Job Fair on March 14 at Monarch Hall.

"The Job Fair is an annual event scheduled every March and since it was very successful a second job fair is being planned for this year in December," said Hanna Pettersson , director of placement and internship at the Job Research Center.

A total of 34 employers participated in this years job fair ranging from private industry to governmental entities. Some of the employers that participated in this years fair were Bank of America, California Highway Patrol, Fed Ex and St. Joseph's Medical Center.

Job fairs are an excellent resource for those seeking employment. Valley students should take full advantage of future job fairs and the resources available at the Job Research Center.

ASU Elections

by Monica Lid
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After the fall '96 semester's confusion regarding rules and regulations of the ASU positions, actions have finally been taken by the ruling Board of Commissioners.

The Constitution of 1991 has now been reivised and is ready for presentation to the students of Valley College.

The ratification will take place on Mrach 27, 1996, students will get the chance to vote on the acceptance of the new Associated Student Union Constitution.

Polls will be in front of Campus Center from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on March 27.

Another important event coming up is the combined election for Student Trustee and new ASU officers which will be held on April 17 and 18.

Students interested in running for ASU office positions for the 1996-97 school year are urged to apply in the Campus Center, room 100 (office of Student Services), between March 27 and April 15, 1996.

Support Your ASU

For The Record

In our Feb. 23 issue while reporting on a story titled "Parking Violation" about a parking ticket dispute some errors were made that should be cleared up.

- A student claimed that someone else was let off a parking ticket while he was told to come back to get a ruling on the ticket from the Police Captain. The Campus police confirmed that the person that was supposedly let off was not. He was also told that he would have to come back and get a ruling which he did. The student that made the claim that the other person was let off only saw that person leaving the building , not what that person was told to do.
- The article stated that the police officer who was helping the disgruntled student refused to dismiss the ticket. That officer did not have the authority to dismiss the ticket and referred the student to Captain Traber as they do in all cases of parking ticket disputes. The article also gave the impression that the officer only gave the student the option of displaying the sticker on the back of the rear view mirror. The Campus police confirmed that the officer did offer the student help to try and find solutions to the problem but he student still wanted to see Captain Traber.

Campus Clips:

Scholarship Opportunities-

The Patrons Association of Los Angeles Valley College offer: **The Patrons Scholarship** in the amount of $250. It will be going to one student of special academic merit who can demonstrate a special need. Applicants must seek the sponsorship of a faculty member.

The applicant should complete an application and be a full-time student at LAVC (12 units or more). They must also submit a letter of sponsorship from a full or part time faculty memeber. The student should write a brief essay (250 words maximum) describing his/her special need.

Deadline: April 12, 1996.

The San Fernanto Valley Chapter of **Ninety-Nines, Inc.** will award scholarships to students pursuing careers in aviation and aerospace. Applications are available by sending a self-addressed, busines size envelope to Sandra Bullock, 4365 W. 141 Street, #107, Hawthorne, CA 90250-7169. **Deadline is April 11, 1996.**

Hollywood Women's Press Club Scholarship Foundation will award scholarships for Journalism, Communication, PR or related study programs. Call (818) 996-0117 or (310) 459-2020 for information.

Representatives from the following schools will be on campus during the remainder of March and in April:

CSUN will be in the Valley College Cafeteria on March 28, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. by appointment only. You can call make an appointment in the Career-Transfer Center on April 18, from 4-7 p.m. Call the Career Transfer Center for more information.

UCLA will also be in the Cafeteria on March 26, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. by appointment only through the Career-Transfer Center.

L.A. College for Chiropractors will be in Monarch Square on March 27, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. No appointment is necesary.

Woodbury University will be in Monarch Square on April 10, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. No appointment necessary. For further information call Barbara Goldberg, Director, Career-Transfer Center.

The Astronomy Club is presenting: "Women in Astronomy" this Friday, March 22, at 8 p.m. Weather permitting, the 16-inch Celestron telescope will be open for viewing before and after the presentation. The planetarium is located on the southwest corner of the Valley College campus. The next presentation in April, will be "The Spring Sky." Admission to the presentation is $3.50 for adults; $2.50 for Senior Citizens, Club Members and LAVC ASU members with ID are $2.00.

California Great Teachers Seminar will be held August 4-9, 1996 at La Casa de Maria, Santa Barbara.

Enrollment is limited to 60 faculty from a variety of disciplines and programs. Reservations are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis.

The seminar begins at 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, August 4 and ends at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, August 9.

Please call the Community College League of California at (916) 444-8641 for more information.

The Spring 1996 **Career Development Workshop Series** will hold evening sessions about Career Exploration and Self-Assesment. They wil be held on Wednesdays April 24 and May 1 from 6-8 p.m. For more information call.

Did you know that you can call campus Police from any pay phone on campus by dialing 30? And you do not need correct change or even a calling card! The Campus Police office is staffed by two police officers, 24 hours per day, every day.

A physician is available every Tuesday from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. and Wednesday from 1:45 p.m. to 4:40 p.m. at the Student Health Clinic. For more information, call (818) 780-0652.



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The Dean's Tea to honor these outstanding students will be held on Wednesday April 10th. at 2 p.m. in Monarch Hall. Honorees and their guests are invited to attend.

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In Large 2 Bedroom Apt. in Sherman Oaks
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Don't forget to vote!

The California Primary Election is next Tuesday, March 26th.

by Kelli Morgan
Valley Star Staff Writer

Several interesting issues have qualified for the March 26, 1996 ballot. You have certainly seen literature or commercials from the supporters of these initiatives. So are you going to vote? Given the amount of resources spent by both sides of each initiative, you would think that everyone would understand the issues and vote with confidence.

Unfortunately, most people are anything but confident when voting. Maybe you have not had time to follow the campaigns or maybe you have not had time to read up on the measures that you've heard about. Maybe you just don't care. But you should. If you don't help make these decisions, then someone else is going to make them for you. And that is not in your best interest.

Fortunately, in the following paragraphs, you will find a review of each of the ballot initiatives which will hopefully give you the information needed to cast a vote that is in your best interest.

The "sport" in voting is that everyone has their own opinions and beliefs on politics and of what is in their own best interst. For example, a family who lives in the foothills may vote YES for proposition 197 because they fear the safety of their family or pets. A family who lives further in the city might vote NO on the same initiative because they feel that the mountain lions have the right live peacefully.

There are 12 inniatives on this year's ballot, from mountain lions to carjackings to no-fault motor vehicle insurance. They are numbered from 192 to 203.

Proposition 192: Seismic Retrofit Bond Act of 1996. This act provides for a bond issue of two billion dollars to provide funds for a seismic retrofit program of California's bridges and overpasses.

Proposition 193: Property appraisal. Exception. Grandparent-Grandchild Transfer. This would amend the state constitution by not requiring new appraisal of property when transferred between grandparents and their grandchild, subject to certain conditions.

Proposition 194: Prisioners. Join Venture Program. Unemployment Benefits. Parole. Provides that prisioner's employment in a joint venture program while in prison does not entitle the prisoner to unemployment benefits when released from prison.

Proposition 195: Punishment. Special Circumstances. Carjacking. Murder of Juror. Adds murder during a carjacking, murder resulting from a carjacking kidnap and the intentional murder of a juror in retaliation for, or prevention of, the performance of a juror's duties to the exiting list of special circumstances for first-degree murder for which the death penalty or life imprisonment without the possibility of parole is authorized.

Proposition 196: Punishment for Murder. Special Circumstances. Drive-by Shootings. Adds the intentional murder of a person by discharging a firearm from a car with the intent to cause death to the list of special circumstances for first-degree murder for which the death penalty or life imprisonment without the possibilty of parole is authorized.

Proposition 197: Amendment of the California Wildlife Protection Act of 1990 (Proposition 117). Mountain Lions. Legislative Amendment. Authorizes the Legislature to manage mountain lions to protect the people and resources of California. Repeals mountain lion's status as a specifically protected mammal.

Proposition 198: Elections. Open Primary. Initiative Statute. Provides that all persons entitled to vote can vote for any candidate regardless of the candidate's political affiliation.

Proposition 199: Limits on Mobilehome Rent Control. Low-Income Rental Assistance. Voids existing state rent control laws on mobilehomes. Prohibits new state and local rent control on mobilehomes. Provides limited private sector rent subsidy for low-income, mobilehome tenants.

Proposition 200: No-Fault Motor Vehicle Insurance. Limits Lawsuits. Requires insurer to pay benefits regardeless of fault in most motor vehicle accidents. Mandates motor vehicle insurance with specified benefits and coverage for injury. Mandates prompt payment or arbitration of claims.

Proposition 201: Attorneys' Fees. Shareholder Actions. Class Actions. Requires losing party to pay winning party's attorney's fees and expenses in shareholder actions and class action suits for violation of securities law. Payment not required if position substantially justified and payment unjust. Losing attorney may be required to pay. Plaintiff's bond may be required.

Proposition 202: Attorney's Contingent Fees Limits. Limits plaintiff's contingency fee arrangements in tort cases. Requires demand be made against defendants and permits early settlement offer response. If accepted, limits fees to 15% of offer. If not accepted, larger fees can be collected only on amounts in excess of early settlement offer.

Proposition 203: Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 1996. Provides for a bond issue of three billion dollars to provide funds for school facility improvement programs.

The information on the proposed iniatives was provided by Voter Information Pamphlets provided by the Secretary of State's office.

No matter where you stand on each of these issues, whether you are for or against, you have the right to "vote for your best interest."



The over crowded conditions of the Tech Prep class.

Mismanagement of Tech Prep Class: Overcrowded

Editorial

The Tech Prep program is a Valley College program that invites high school seniors from various schools to take introductory college classes. It gives the high school students a chance to learn new skills that otherwise they may not be learned and increases the WISH fund Valley gets from the state for each student that attends our college. It is a good program but recently problems with one of the classes, Computer Skills, began affecting other aspects of the college.

The problems began with the registration of the Computer Skills class. High school students were invited to come to the first class of the program and register at that time. There was no RSVP system and no means of knowing ahead of time how many students were coming. They expected about around 35 students, the same amount that registered for the class last time. Almost 250 students showed up on the first day of class to resister. A decision was made not to turn any students away since it would greatly increase the WISH fund for the college. They registered all the students.

The basic problem here can be plainly seen. There was no way of knowing how big the class would be ahead of time, making any type of planning impossible. Even though they did not want to turn away students they should have been better prepared to deal with the problem. Any college class has a limit set on how many students it can have ahead of time. The class size can not be increased once the limit has been reached even to provide more WISH funds.

To accommodate all the students that wanted to take the course additional sections of the class needed to be opened and additional computer labs had to be found. The Instructors responsible for the class went to Academic Affairs and got approval to make the new plans to accommodate the additional classes.

They then went to the people in charge of the computer labs to see what labs could be used. They were able to get the approval for most of the labs they needed, four in all. One other lab they wanted to use, the CCAIVE, was reserved for students lab time only. The CCAIVE was funded by a special grant which stipulated that it only be used for as an open lab during it's scheduled hours. Last semester a similar issue came up where an instructor was using it for a class. The Vice President of Academic Affairs at that time (that person has since taken a position some where else) said there would not be a conflict between class and lab time again. He stipulated the CCAIVE would be used for lab time only from that point on.

The instructors in charge of the Computer Skills class went to Academic Affairs to see if it was possible to use the CCAIVE. Academic Affairs decided there was need to use it in this situation, so they gave permission to use the CCAIVE. The problem occurred when the supervisor of the CCAIVE was only informed of this decision a few hours before the first class meeting was going to begin. Without former knowledge of the decision to use the CCAIVE, the clearing of that lab was very abrupt and hectic.

The following week when the Computer Skills class was to meet again, there were no signs posted to inform Valley College students using the CCAIVE a class was scheduled in there. Once again clearing of the lab was very abrupt and hectic.

A current problem with this class is that it is very over crowded. Five labs are being used to accommodate all the sections of the class and even then there are two or three students per computer. There is a strong possibility that the class is not beneficial to the students by crowding so many of them on the computers. It could have been possible to open a summer section of the Tech Prep program and reserve space for students deferred from this current class.

We realize that this program was trying to operate to the best of its abilities and ideals in organizing the Computer Skills class the way it did, however, the class was plainly not organized well and caused an indefinite amount of inconvenience.

A Present from Uncle Sam

by Kelli Morgan
Valley Star Staff Writer

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Do you vote in ASU elections?



Marla Halac, 29
No. "I'm a part-time student and I'm not really Involved."



Andrew Gaspar, 23
No. "I don't exactly know what they do."



Claudia Garcia, 18
Yes. "My friend is running,Gabriel Ruiz."



Eric Gallagher, 28
Yes. "The school needs it."



Photo Survey by Shashra Stewart

Valeri Statland, 15
Yes. "The only way the students are going to get what they want is if they get involved seeking what they want."

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Baseball Keeping Busy

By Sierra Roberts
Valley Star Staff Writer

Due to rain last week, the Monarchs have a busy schedule to keep. However, sunny weather this week may brighten the upcoming days for the team.

With an overall record of 7-13, and a conference record of 4-4, the Monarchs are working hard to improve their current standings. assistant coach Dan Schumacher said, "It is a struggle off and on, if we keep hanging in there we can pull off a good year."

March ninth brought a close victory over Glendale College with a score of 8-7. The Monarchs maintained a strong lead until the ninth inning when Glendale scored two runs.

A home run by first baseman Steve Zorn in the bottom of the third was the start for the ongoing lead making it 3-2. By the sixth, Valley College was done scoring with an 8-4 lead. The team's defense proved strong as they stopped their eager opponents from catching up.

Rain stopped the game against Mission College and wet fields halted the game versus Pierce. "The rain makes it a little harder with pitching, when you have your best pitcher throwing twice in one week. TaikiYamaoka pitched Monday and he also pitches this Saturday," said assistant coach Dan Schumacher.

Maybe the interruption in the game series contributed to the defeat by Bakersfield on March 16. Despite strong efforts from Valley College, the scoreboard displayed a 11-6 loss at the end of the ninth inning.

While the Monarchs made 12 hits and only one error, they still fell short of Bakersfield who had 13 hits and four errors. According to center fielder Adrian Perez, "We're hitting well, we just have to start moving the runners over."

Monday, the first make-up game was played against Mission College. The Monarchs added another win to their record with a 11-7 victory.

Tuesday they were up against College of the Canyons and did not fair as well. Not even beautiful weather could help the Monarchs catch up to Canyon. They lost 10-4.

Despite the hectic schedule this week, the Monarchs continued to prove what a strong team they are. By pulling together as a team they will be able to add many more wins to their record.

Photo by Andrew Gaspar



Chris Portugal gets tagged out at second base by Bakersfield's player.

Softball Wants a Win

By Leo Mayorga
Valley Star Staff Writer

Overshadowed by the success of the other teams at Valley College, the softball team feels confident and has played to the expectations of the coaching staff this season.

In their third game of the conference, the lady Monarchs are yet to be victorious, but are still confident that they have the talent to make and perform well on the upcoming playoffs.

The team consists of eight returning starters, and three new players. Most of the girls came to the team by their own will, since Valley College's softball program is only two years old after having tremendous success in the 70's after being absent for a while, they have improved, since they first stepped in the field back in the fall of 1994, according to Valley College Softball Coach Kodee Murray.

"Defensively we are more aggressive. Offensively we hit the ball much better. Our team averages four to five runs a game which is a lot in softball. We also slide, run the bases, and play more aggressively. We have better understanding of what softball is about," said Murray.

Not afraid to get dirty, the lady Monarchs play just like, if not better, than other teams in their conference since they dive for balls, hit long fly balls, and risk their bodies in order to make difficult plays. They aren't afraid to go heads up against any catcher regardless of size or strength.

The team, currently experiencing a losing streak, has had few problems with some of their players in the squad. Lack of confidence and mental mistakes have caused routine plays into errors and have cost them some close games. But, unlike other teams, Valley College's players are more satisfied knowing that their performance was to the best of their ability rather than winning.

" The fact that this team feels good about their playing is good. Every single player out there has returned and improved her individual skills. They work hard. They are doing things this year they couldn't do last year," said coach Cody.

Even though the lady Monarchs seem to be down, they are certainly not out. "We may not have the best pitching, but defensively and offensively we can beat any team. Hands down, we could take this conference because we could hit any pitcher that goes against us and we have the ability to hit any balls that are thrown," said third baseman Tiffany Langness.

Valley College's pitcher Silvia Landaverde has been able to hold up with the best in the league this season even though she has no past experience as a pitcher. She has surpassed the coach's and player's expectations.

The team, as a whole, has been able to hold together thanks to the team's personality. "The individuals on the team are a fun group. Sometimes you'll be on a team that are so competitive that their egos are terrible," said Dede Molina, Valley College's short stop.

The Lady Monarchs are more than just players. Kady Kepner, Valley College's second base, has been a volunteer of the fire department for three years and hopes to be a fire fighter soon. Most of the players on the team have jobs, yet still find time to commit themselves to softball and the Monarch pride.



Photo by Andrew Gaspar

Valley's softball team catcher waits for the ball to make an out.

Sports Schedule

Baseball:

Thurs.	Mar.	21	@	Glendale	2:30
Sat.	Mar.	23	vs	Cuesta	1:00
Tues.	Mar.	26	@	Oxnard	2:30
Thurs.	Mar.	28	vs.	Moorpark	2:30
Sat.	Mar.	30	@	Santa Barbara	1:00

Softball:

Fri.	Mar.	22	@	Pierce	3:30
Sat.	Mar.	23	@	East LA Tournament	TBA
Sun.	Mar.	24	@	East LA Tournament	TBA
Mon.	Mar.	25	@	College of the Canyons	3:30
Wed.	Mar.	27	vs	Cuesta	3:30
Fri.	Mar.	29	@	Hancock	3:30

Swimming:

Fri.	Mar.	22	vs.	Santa Monica	2:30
Fri.	Mar.	29	@	College of the Canyons	2:30

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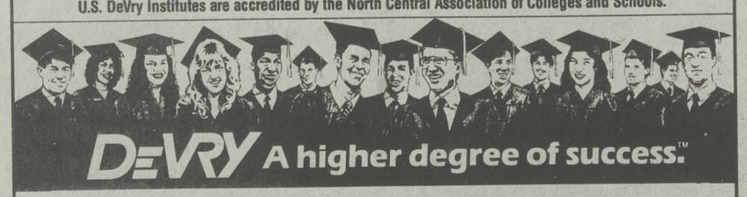
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